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Group here renamed the 401st

by Senior Airman Jennifer Westcott

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Public Affairs

There are no more members of the 4100th Group (Provisional). The unit no longer exists, except in the history books and memories of those once assigned to Tuzla.

Sunday the group was redesigned the 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group.

Under the new designation, the group falls under the 16th Air and Space Expeditionary Task Force at Aviano Air Base, Italy, but will also fall immediately under the newly-formed 16th Air Expeditionary Wing there.

According to Lt. Gen. John Jumper, Air Force deputy chief of staff for Air and Space Operations, during a February roundtable discussion on the subject, Air Expeditionary Wings are the way of the future.

"Our perspective is that the core competencies of the United States Air Force, which are air and space superiority, global attack, rapid global mobility, precision engagement, information superiority and agile combat support — these are the newly

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> — Lt. Gen. John Jumper Air Force deputy chief of staff for Air and Space Operations

christened core competencies that the Air Force believes is sort of fundamental to what we do... Not proprietary," he said. "Other services do this, too, but they're sort of fundamental to what we do in the Air Force."

Taking these fundamental principles and applying them to the post-cold war military is the basic idea behind the Air Expeditionary Force concept.

"Light and lethal is something we're working hard on," said Jumper. "We are trying to find new ways to make things lighter and leaner."

Because of the "light and lethal" concept, the chain of command for the 4100th

Group (Provisional) has been changed, along with all other units in the area.

Taszar, Hungary, has been redesigned the 406th Expeditionary Air Base Group; Istres, France, is now the 16th Expeditionary Operations Group; Zagreb, Croatia, is now the 525th Expeditionary Air Base Squadron; and Sarajevo is the 16th Expeditionary Air Support Operations Group. The 46th Air Expeditionary Intelligence Squadron will be located at Rimini, Italy.

For people assigned to Tuzla, it means starting — and continuing – a history.

According to Col. Kenneth A. Byrd,

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Visiting the troops



Photo by Senior Airman Jennifer Westcott

Col. Gen. Leontiy Shevtsov (left), Supreme Allied Command Europe deputy for Russian forces, greets Gen. George A. Joulwan (right), commander of the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Wednesday. Joulwan gave coins to Senior Airman Adam Hutchenson, logistics squadron, and Staff Sgt. Lisa McCarthy, communications flight.

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Promises, promises

Deployed location brings words of comfort from others

Editor's note: The author has asked to remain anonymous.

have here for you the Tuzla Promise List. I think everyone might find something in it they agree with.

"You are not going to die."

This was the first promise I was told. And, although it relaxed me then — a little, how can that be promised?

OK, so there are no longer active ethnic purification actions, but that doesn't mean any of us can be promised that we aren't going to die — there is friendly fire. Have you heard how many barrels have actually been shot around here?

There are all sorts of things that could happen. Can you ever be sure??

"I promise you that a snake won't bite you."

I don't know how many people have tried to assure me of this, but how can I be sure?? What if one decided to be sunning and I'm half-asleep?

That would mean I get bit.

What if they decide I scare them, as I have been told I will do more so than they will to me (although I am not so sure about that)?

"The chlorine smell will eventually wash from your skin."

Sure, and I believe that one! I smell it in my sleep.

Idon't think it will ever go away.

"You will not starve to death."

At this point in time, if anything happened to the chow hall, I would rather die than eat another tuna and noodle meal-ready-to-eat.

However, if anyone has a different opinion and would like a stack, see me.

"You will be able to watch The Nutty Professor."

This is a gurantee.

As a matter of fact, I can swear that one of the guys I work with was only half joking when he said he was going to put his foot through the television if he had to watch that movie just once more.

"You will get to wear you helmet every day."

I know we all complain about this one, but it goes along with that hazardousduty pay. So that one I think I can work with

"You lose your weapon and you'll get a free ticket home."

This is a promise that has led people to work, eat and sleep with their weapon. Even give it a name.

You can make your own reasons for that one.

"You will get to play in excersies."

Not just Air Force ones or basewide ones, but medical, bunker and fire ones, as well.

Who could ask for anything more??

"The sun will rise on your day to leave here."

How do you know??

What if there is a solar eclipse, or a sudden nuclear explosion?

Can you promise the sun will come up for the rest of us to leave?

"You will eventually get to have a real 'beverage' once again."

I think even those that don't drink would take a sip if it was offered.

Knowing others can doesn't help, but as long as we're promised that that day will come...

Eagle Achiever



Tech. Sgt. Gary Shafer

Hometown: Philadelphia

Age: 38

Home unit/base: 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Time in service: 14 years

Time at Tuzla: almost 90 days

Deployed mission: to fly the sick and injured from the Area of Responsibility to definative care in Germany

Hobbies: officiating ice hockey games, magic and golf

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? getting ready to retire from the Reserves, playing golf in Tucson, Ariz.

What do you like most about Tuzla? The people — we have all come from different bases and function as a unit. That is great.

What do you like least about Tuzla? the weather



The Tuzla Times

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Link cut between 5level, rank

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Airmen no longer need to wait until they sew on senior airman stripes before qualifying for their 5-skill level.

As of May 21, airmen will have to complete an apprenticeship and another 15 months in upgrade training.

During this time they must complete career development courses and core tasks tied to their duty po-

After that they need only their supervisor's recommendation for award of the 5 level.

These are virtually the same requirements as those in the previous upgrade system, except for dropping the link to senior airman promotion.

Personnel officials say this will cut the average upgrade time to the 5-skill level in half — from 36 months to 18 months.

Officials believe removing the requirement to be a senior airman will provide the incentive for airmen to upgrade sooner as well as give commanders and supervisors the flexibility to reward "fast burners."

This approach, the officials agreed, should eliminate the perceived lag time in upgrading because of grade requirements.

A study of the new process states that the change "could provide much-needed relief to units that have many qualified airmen who have completed all 5-level training requirements who are only waiting to sew on senior airmen (stripes) to upgrade to the 5 level. The production of qualified 5-levels in a shorter time creates a larger pool of deployment eligibles and potential trainers."

The change to 5-level upgrade training took effect when Air Force personnel officials sent their directive to the field May 21.

401st: continuing traditions

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401st EABG commander, group officials are trying to get as much information about the new designation as possible.

"We're trying to locate the history of the 401st," he said. "We want to know what the heraldry is so we know what our history is. I'm sure there is a proud heritage there that we can add to."

In addition, the commander is trying to locate the 401st's flag in order to conduct an official ceremony.

"When a unit is redesigned, such as this, they usually case the old flag and unfurl the new one," he said. "We plan to do that as soon as possible."

The ceremony will do two things, according to Byrd. One is the official recognition of the group's new designation. The second thing is that it will act as a visual reminder to the people assigned here that the group is no longer the 4100th.

"We want to do this quickly so we can get on with business as usual," he said. "We need to focus on becoming the 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group and make the transition as smoothly as possible."

Address changes for Tuzla servicemembers

With the new unit designation, the mailing address for the group has also changed.

The new address is: Rank/Name 401 E ABG/Duty Section APO AE 09788

Air Force officials smooth transition from VEAP to Montgomery GI Bill

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — The Department of Veterans Affairs is now processing refunds for active-duty members eligible to convert to the Montgomery GI Bill. Only members with active accounts on Oct. 9, 1996, the date the law was passed, are eligible for conversion.

When VEAP was initiated Jan. 1, 1977, members could join at any point during their active duty. But when the Montgomery program came into being, VEAP enrollment opportunities were extended until April 1, 1987, when they expired. There are now many previously eligible people not enrolled in either program, and it is these people the Air Force would like to extend education benefits to in the future.

"The Air Force position is that we will support another open window for those people who do not have a GI Bill program,"

said Albert Arrighi, chief of voluntary education programs, who talked about this and other proposals in the works.

Tuition benefits from the Montgomery GI Bill, the maximum of which is now \$15,403,32, can be used for approved VA programs, including post-secondary programs, apprenticeship programs and flight training.

Much of the improvement comes through the acquisition of more and better electronics equipment and the overall modernization of computer and Internet programs already in place.

Arrighi also said that modernization programs extend to Department of Defense Dependent Schools.

Their goal is that every child being educated at a military base overseas have access to the Internet.

Byrd's Nest

Anyone who has a question or concern can submit it to the Byrd's Nest.

The box is located near Tent No. 28 in Tuzla's Air Force Village. Col. Kenneth A. Byrd, 4100th Group (Provisional) commander, will answer the questions and responses will be printed in the Tuzla Times.

Clinton says Bosnia deadline firm

by Linda D. Kozaryn

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — While the June 1998 deadline for U.S. troop withdrawal from Bosnia remains firm, President Clinton said, European officials must speed up reconstruction efforts.

Civil reconstruction is not on schedule, Clinton said in London May 29, during his first official visit with newly elected British Prime Minister Tony Blair. "A lot of the elements of the Dayton peace process are not going as fast as they should," he said. The two leaders discussed progress in the Balkan country during their meeting.

Training and placing local police is one example where progress is lacking, Clinton said. Stabilization forces are escorting and protecting returning refugees. "A lot of that could be done by civilian police if we were on schedule," he said.

Queried by British reporters on whether U.S. troops will leave as scheduled, Clinton replied: "I don't think we ought to be talking about how we're going to leave; I think we ought to be talking about what we're

going to do tomorrow and next week and next month."

Much work is needed over the next 13 months to allow the Dayton peace accords to move forward, Clinton said. "If we work like crazy the next 13 months, do I believe we can fulfill our mission and they can go forward? Yes, I do. But I think we're going to have to make some very tough decisions."

Clinton said U.S. and European leaders have reviewed the situation and now are putting a team together to get reconstruction moving. In the meantime, stabilization forces continue their mission of providing a secure, stable environment so reconstruction can proceed.

Defense Secretary William S. Cohen, reinforced Clinton's commitment to the June 1998 deadline. "The military has done its job," Cohen said to reporters at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., May 29. Peace has been sustained and warfare ended between the Bosnian groups, he said.

As a result of the NATO forces' commitment and sacrifice, Cohen said, the people of that region have had "three suc-

cessive springs of no slaughter, no ethnic conflict, houses not being bombed, Sniper's Alley being quiet and children not being targeted."

But the other half of the equation hasn't measured up, Cohen said. "We haven't seen the flow of capital going into the region We have not seen the formation of an international police force that can help in carrying out the mission of resettling the refugees and help to monitor the elections coming up in September."

NATO said the stabilization force mission will end in June 1998, Cohen said, adding there is strong support in Congress for withdrawing at that time. "I think Congress will insist that we try to focus our energies in the next year upon completing the Dayton accord so we can leave when the mission ends and know we've been successful," he said.

By the end of next year, Cohen said, the United States will have spent more than \$6 billion on operations in Bosnia. "I believe those kind of resources have to be devoted to other matters, particularly our modernization program," he said.

Follow-on assignments, leave options discussed

Editor's note: Watch this space in the next few weeks. Personell officials will be answering many of the questions they hear from servicemembers about pay, benefits, promotions, assignments and other quality of life issues.

I have just received orders for a short tour.

I wish I knew where I was going to be assigned after my short tour so I could move my family before I go.

Is there a program that can help me?

The Air Force Follow-On/ Homebasing Program can help.

Homebasing assignments allow you to return to the same base (in the continental United States, Hawaii or Alaska only) you are assigned to before going on the short tour.

People selected for a short tour (an unaccompanied tour of 15 months or less) can apply for advanced assignment consideration prior to departing for their short tour.

The Follow-On program provides for advance assignment to a CONUS or overseas location after completing a short tour.

Anyone who uses one of these programs must agree to some conditions.

First, people can't relocate their family members at government expense, except to the follow-on location.

Second, a person can only store and/or ship household goods at government expense to the follow-on location.

Not every request for a follow-on or homebasing assignment is approved.

The location requested must have a need for someone in that grade and Air Force specialty at the time the person is returning. People can apply for specific bases, states, regions or countries — the more preferences they give, the more likely that their request will be approved.

If a person's specialty is not authorized at a certain base (see a military personnel flight for a listing of the Air Force specialties at each installation), they shouldn't waste a valuable choice by listing it.

In recent months, the Air Force Personnel Center has been able to approve 96 percent of enlisted requests and 37 percent of officer requests.

For more information on these programs, contact a MPF.

My wife is going to have a baby.

Is there a program that allows me as a military member to take time off to help care for the baby without being charged leave?

No, there's no specific program for a father to "take time off" without leave to help care for a baby.

People should check with their supervisor.

They can take chargeable leave, or there are two nonchargeable leave options available to commanders:

A special three-day pass that may be taken Tuesday through Thursday (or must include both weekend days if taken in conjunction with a weekend such as Saturday through Monday);

A special four-day pass that must include both weekend days such as Saturday through Tuesday.

The decision to approve these options is up to the unit commander.

For more information, contact the squadron orderly room.



New weapons

ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE, S.D. (AFNS) — A crew from the U.S. Air Force Weapons B-1B division here, dropped a new anti-armor cluster bomb at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., May 28. The test involved using a single CBU-97 Sensor Fuzed Weapon against a target array of tanks and support vehicles on the Eglin test range.

The CBU-97 is the first multiple-kills-perpass smart anti-armor weapon in production, said Col. Bill Wise, director of the Area Attack Systems Program Office at Eglin.

"It represents a significant capability for our combat forces," said the colonel.

Although the CBU-97 was designed to interface with a wide variety of U.S. and NATO aircraft, this marked the first time one was dropped from a B1-B.

The crew will pass on first-hand knowledge from the drop to student instructors who will, in turn, pass the information on to the students at their home stations, said Capt. David Been, weapons flight commander with Ellsworth's weapons school B1-B division.

Been said the global power capability of the B1-B makes it an attractive platform for new weapons like the B1-B.

"If you want to kill armor, I can't think of a better way to do it than with a B1-B," said Gen. Dick Hawley, commander of Air Combat Command.

Wise believes the sensor fuzed weapon test was a success.

"We've demonstrated live SFW drops from both fighters and bombers," said Wise. "Now the U.S. Air Force can project this capability anywhere in the world."

SFOR redeploys

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — During the next few weeks, the United States will begin returning four aviation units that have supported the Stabilization Force in Bosnia-Herzegovina to their home stations in the continental United States.

The 155th Air Refueling Wing will return to Lincoln, Neb., and the 121st Air Refueling Wing to Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio. The Air National Guard detachment from the 110th Fighter Wing will return to W. K. Kellog Airport, Battle Creek, Mich. The Marine, all-weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 will return to Beaufort Marine Corps Air Station, S.C.

Hot off the presses

Photo by Senior Airman Jennifer

Master Sqt. Rose Reynolds (left) and Tech. Sgt. Ray Johnson (not pictured), both from Airman Magazine, visited Tuzla this week to do a follow-up story on Operation Joint Guard. Here, Reynolds talks with Capt. Jeb **Bishop** (center), logistics squadron commander, and Maj. Ricard Smiith (right), vice commander. The will story be printed October.



The first two units are leaving Istres Air Base, France, while the second two units are leaving Aviano AB, Italy.

The significance of these actions, according to Defense Department officials, is that it represents the end of the current cycle of rotations of fighter aircraft and aerial refueling aircraft from the continental United States to the U.S. European Command to support SFOR.

Intro brief

The Newcomers Introduction Briefing is held the first and third Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. in Rock City's Tent No. 8.

The next briefing will be held Thursday. Anyone arriving between now and June 5 is required to attend.

Before leaving

Anyone who has been in country for 30 days or more must accomplish medical screening no earlier than two weeks before their expected rotation out.

The purpose of medical screening is to evaluate for potential post traumatic stress syndrome and to obtain a sample of blood. The blood sample is spun down and the serum is taken, frozen and placed in a bank.

Anyone who has been exposed to a disease while in the area of responsibility will begin to develop antibodies even if they do not develop the disease.

These anitbodies will be in the serum.

If, later on in life, people start to develop a disease they ordinarily would not have, the serum sample can be retrieved and analyzed for the specific antibodies. This has come about due to the Gulf War Syndrome.

The screening is Department of Defense directed and 100 percent compliance is mandatory.

If someone is unable to attend the scheduled screening, they must stop by the Mobile Air Staging Facility to have a nurse or technician help them.

The next screening will be held June 12 at the MASF tent.

For more information call extension 131.

Wish you knew

Is there something you wish you would have known before showing up at Tuzla

Help out someone else and forward the questions you wish you would have asked to SrA. Jennifer Westcott, 4100th Group (Provisional) Public Affairs.

The information will be used to update the base's web page and create a newcomers guide.

Hall honors enlisted airmen

by Staff Sgt. Samuel E. Warren Jr.

Standard Systems Group Public Affairs

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, GUNTER ANNEX, Ala. (AFNS) — Jimmy Stewart, Johnny Cash, Mike Connors, Chuck Norris and Alabama's former governor, George C. Wallace, all have one thing in common.

They were all enlisted men in the U.S. Air Force, and their photos are hanging in the newly renovated U.S. Air Force Enlisted Heritage Hall at Gunter Annex.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman was among the dignitaries who cut the ribbon welcoming people back into the special hall May 19.

He was joined by Air University Commander Lt. Gen. Joseph J. Redden, Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Eric W. Benken, and Chief Master Sergeant Gary Akin, the heritage hall director.

"The building was built in 1942 during the days of World War II," said Akin. "Through the years, outside of adding some siding, there were no renovations to the facility. It became the Enlisted Heritage Hall in 1985 and opened its door in 1986."

Although a majority of the renovation was once again to the exterior of the building, the lighting in the facility was upgraded.

"The electrical systems were rewired and intrusion detection and fire suppression systems were installed," said Akin.

Akin said the facility truly was "built" by the enlisted force because years ago they began collecting uniforms and documents to show the contributions of enlisted people to the Air Force.

Inside the facility, uniforms and photographs give the appearance that this is a military museum, but the structure really serves as the Air Force's top institute for enlisted history and research.

"The heritage hall started out as a building with displays to show the heritage of the Air Force's enlisted force, but we have acquired documentation over the years that has led us to maintain a repository of Air Force enlisted information," said Akin.

"We are the office of primary responsibility for the enlisted history in Chapter 4 of the Professional Military Examination study guide.

"Our duties are now tied to the curriculums of the airmen leadership schools, NCO academies and the Senior NCO Academy," said Akin, who, although a historian by trade, is also a PME instructor.

"This being the 50th anniversary year of the U.S. Air Force, our phone has been ringing off the wall with people asking us questions about the contributions of the enlisted force," said Senior Airman Angela Groce, deputy director, and the other half of the hall's two-person staff.



Photo by Staff Sqt. Samuel E. Warren Jr.

Chuck Norris served in the U.S. Air Force in the late 1950s with the air police. His photo hangs on the Wall of Achievers in the U.S. Air Force Enlisted Heritage Hall at Maxwell Air Force Base-Gunter Annex, Ala.

The hall's Wall of Achievers contains the photos of the prominent airmen and sergeants who have gone on to greatness in public and private life. Other areas of the hall are dedicated to the Order of the Sword, and to the chief master sergeants of the Air Force.

Berliners mark anniversary of blockade

TEMPELHOF AIRPORT, Berlin (AFNS) — Residents and veterans gathered here May 12 to mark the 48th anniversary of the end of the Berlin blockade, the Soviet Union's failed attempt to cut off this city from the West and the first test for the U.S. Air Force.

After World War II, the victorious Allies divided Germany into four zones: American, French and British in the west, and a Soviet zone in the east.

Within the Soviet zone lay Berlin, further divided and administered by the Allies. As relations deteriorated between East and West, the Soviets became more menacing and exerted pressure on overland routes into Berlin.

On June 24, 1948, the Soviets cut off electricity to the city and closed all road and rail links. The only route into Berlin was by air.

"We were very anxious because we had a hard winter time, and we didn't have enough food," said Mercedes Wild, a Berliner who was 7 at the time and attends the Tempelhof ceremony every year. "My mother was ill, she couldn't walk. We had this house but not enough to eat."

Just two days after the blockade began, the U.S. Air Force flew 32 C-47 missions into Berlin, carrying powdered milk, flour and medicine. Over the course of the next 15 months, the Berlin Airlift delivered more than 2,300,000 tons of cargo, about three-

fourths of that in U.S. aircraft. The operation cost the lives of 31 Americans.

Today Berlin is no longer divided, Germany is one country, and the Soviet Union doesn't even exist. Wild and others will gather over the next several years to mark the anniversary of the Berlin Airlift and note the gains made since the end of the Cold War.

"Now we can smile because of the situation—we are free," she said.

Communications units have been here Since day 1

by Senior Airman Jennifer Westcott

401st Expeditionary Air Base Group Public Affairs

They aren't the same people who first arrived here, but they aren't unfamiliar with the mission at Tuzla Air Base.

Members of the 1st Combat Communications Squadron from Ramstein Air Base, Germany, and the 3rd Combat Communications Group from Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., have been keeping Tuzla talking since the early days of the NATO Implementation Force, according to Tech. Sgt. Dave Miller, assistant superintendent of the 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group Communications Flight here from the 1st CCS.

The two squadrons have kept communications open — both throughout the group and with aircraft — since U.S. troops first arrived.

"Our mission is to set up and maintain communications and landing capabilities for contingency operations," said Miller. "While most people deploy occasionally, that's our main job."

Combat communications squadrons are trained to



Photo by Seniro Airman Jennifer Westcott

Senior Airman James Holmstrom, assigned to the 1st Combat Communications Squadron, troubleshoots a circut on a protable tech control facility, looking for circut problems in communications equipment.

arrive first at a site. They can provide their own security and aircraft downloading, ensuring they are selfsufficient when the need arises.

"We can't do those things as well as the ATOC team or the security police," said Miller, "but we can do it."

The radar equipment alone can take up to 13 trucks to deliver. The trucks are driven by unit members and they set up and maintain the equipment — proving they can be the "First in, last out." All unit members agree, it's the training that makes them able to deploy so well.

According to Tech. Sgt. Steve English, NCO in charge of radio maintenance here and a member of the "Third Herd," deployments like this one have it's advantages and disadvantages.

"It's a valuable experience," he said. "We're not just training. We're learning a lot of things that will make us more of an asset when we get home. We'll know more because we've been in this kind of a situation."

On the other hand, the deployment is hard on people — personally and professionally.

"It's hard being away from our families, of course," English said. "And we're busy — that makes it difficult to do things like study for promotions. Also, when we're deployed, the people we work with back home are a little busier, too, because they're missing people out of their shops."

Despite the difficulties of deploying to a remote site for 120 days, the people from either combat communications unit wouldn't change the circumstances.

"I'm experiencing things I wouldn't get to otherwise," said Airman 1 st Class Rob Myers, assigned to the "Third Herd." "I've been places I wouldn't have been. I've gotten to see the world."

Senior Airman Kimmy Makeroff, also assigned to the 1st CSS, finds the experience a good one.

"I've gotten to do things and experience things – like drive a forklift or build a pallet – that I wouldn't get to do if I worked in another job," she said.

"I have the best job in the Air Force."



Photo by Senior Airman Jennifer Westcott

Airmen 1 st Class Rob Myers and Rolfe Dorn, both of the 3rd Combat Communications Group, work on an airconditioning unit for the communications tent.

Around Tuzla

Now playing

"Malice" will play Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the movie tent, Tent No. 3 in Rock City.

Worship service

A protestant worship service will be held Saturdays in Rock City's Tent No. 8 at 7 p.m.

For more information contact Chaplain (Capt.) Robert O'Dell at 762-8089.

Bible study

A bible study group will meet Mondays in the chaplain's office

For more information contact Chaplain (Capt.) Robert O'Dell at 762-8089.

Body sculpting

Staff Sgt. Jerome Favors, 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group Communications Flight, teaches a body sculpting class Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Rock City's Tent No. 8.

Be a star

Media from Baltimore; Watertown, N.Y. and Columbus, Ga., will be in the area Monday through June 14.

The media would like to interview anyone who is from or has family in these areas.

For more information, contact Senior Airman Jennifer Westcott at 762-8005.

Group photo

A 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group group photo will be taken Saturday at 2 p.m. on the flightline side of the Tower.

Everyone is encouraged to be part of the picture, which will be available within a few weeks.

TUZIO TOONS by Senior Airman Travis Dick



Tent rosters

Tent rosters must be updated anytime a person moves in or out of a tent.

Copies should be posted on each door and one should be given to Tech. Sgt. Carliest Daniels, group information manager.

Study material

New Performance Fitness Examination books are availble for checkout from Tech. Sgt. Carliest Daniels, group information manager.

100 copies of Volume 1 are available, while 25 copies are Volume 2 can be checked out.

For details, contact Daniels at 762-8003.

Birthday Call



Happy birthday to the following 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group members who have birthdays for this week.

Saturday

Master Sgt. Michael McClendon Staff Sgt. Kenny Smith

Sunday

Tech. Sgt. Adorfo Guzman Monday

Senior Airman Mark Whipple

Tuesday Tech. Sgt. Carliest Daniels Airman 1st Class Takashi Dehart

Staff Sgt. Francis Edelen **Thursday**

Tech. Sgt. Kelly Howard

Chaplain's thought of the week:

"Each day is a gift from the one who knows exactly what we need."

--- Unknown

Sortie Scoreboard

 Scheduled:
 6,221

 Total flown:
 5,256

 Passengers:
 47,4938

 Cargo (short tons):
 31,976

 Vehicles:
 1,364

 Patients evac'd:
 916

As of Tuesday